

**Proposed Substitute  
Bill No. 160**

LCO No. 2871

**AN ACT CONCERNING INSUREDS' ACCESS TO HEALTH INSURERS  
FOR THE PROCESSING OF CERTAIN PRIOR AUTHORIZATION  
REQUESTS.**

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

1 Section 1. Section 38a-503c of the 2016 supplement to the general  
2 statutes is amended by adding subsection (e) as follows (*Effective*  
3 *January 1, 2017*):

4 (NEW) (e) No individual health insurance carrier subject to this  
5 section shall require prior authorization for the interhospital transfer of  
6 (1) a newborn infant experiencing a life-threatening emergency or  
7 condition, or (2) for the hospitalized mother of such newborn infant to  
8 accompany her newborn infant.

9 Sec. 2. Section 38a-530c of the 2016 supplement to the general  
10 statutes is amended by adding subsection (e) as follows (*Effective*  
11 *January 1, 2017*):

12 (NEW) (e) No group insurance carrier subject to this section shall  
13 require prior authorization for the interhospital transfer of (1) a  
14 newborn infant experiencing a life-threatening emergency or  
15 condition, or (2) for the hospitalized mother of such newborn infant to  
16 accompany her newborn infant.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:

Section 1	<i>January 1, 2017</i>	38a-503c
Sec. 2	<i>January 1, 2017</i>	38a-530c